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INTRODUCTION OF GRADING SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education(CBSE) has decided to introduce grading system in allclasses, particularly in 10th and 12th exams, commencing from the year 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any opposition to this move from various organisations; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF.RITA VERMA)

(a) & (b): The CBSE is not introducing gradesin lieu of marks in 10th & 12th exams in the year 2002. The CBSE's current evaluation system in declaration of results in class X indicates both grades & marks. The Grading System proposed presently at class X levelby the CBSE envisages issue of subject wise grades without referenceto marks. No time frame has beenfixed to implement the proposal.

(c): The proposed Model of Grading has been circulated by the CBSE to all the affiliated schools and other educational institutions and organisations with a view to obtaining their views and comments. Consultations with various stakeholders which includes educationists and academics are in process to evolve a consensus on the issue of grading.

(d): The National Policy on Education, 1986 recommends the use of grades in place of marks.